

Dear Parents/ Carers

PLEASE NOTE - YEAR GROUPS BELOW ARE FOR 2021/22 ACADEMIC YEAR

(If you have a problem with your child being tested on the set days/times below please email [LFTSept21@simonballe.herts.sch.uk](mailto:LFTSept21@simonballe.herts.sch.uk) and Mr Klippel will respond to your individual query. However, we expect almost all tests to be completed as below )

I trust that everyone has managed to get a break over this summer period and that you have taken advantage of some of the better weather. We can now confirm the days and times when your child will be welcomed back, to reflect the request to carry out further lateral flow tests for all students. Please note that your consent agreed previously will stand unless you let us know otherwise. New students will need to complete a permissions form - but the link will be sent to you separately. Students do not need to wear school uniform to receive the test. Following the test and the immediate results, students will return home. Parents can not enter the testing area. The student may be up to 30 minutes in school.

**We will only contact you if your child/ren's test return a positive outcome so do not be alarmed if notification is not received.**

### **Testing on TUESDAY 31st AUGUST**

Year 7

7A: Arrive between 8:45 and 9:15

7B: Arrive between 8:45 and 9:15

7R: Arrive between 9:30 and 10:00

7L: Arrive between 9:30 and 10:00

7N: Arrive between 10:15 and 10:45

7M: Arrive between 10:15 and 10:45

Year 10

10A: Arrive between 12:00 and 12:30

10B: Arrive between 12:00 and 12:30

10L: Arrive between 12:45 and 13:15

10M: Arrive between 12:45 and 13:15

10N: Arrive between 13:30 and 14:00

10R: Arrive between 13:30 and 14:00

YEAR 7 STUDENTS TO START SCHOOL ON WEDNESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER AT 8.40AM.

YEAR 10 STUDENTS TO START SCHOOL ON **THURSDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER** AT 8:40AM

### **Testing on WEDNESDAY 1st SEPTEMBER**

YEAR 11

11A: Arrive between 9:00 and 9:30

11B: Arrive between 9:00 and 9:30

11R: Arrive between 9:45 and 10:15  
11L: Arrive between 9:45 and 10:15  
11N: Arrive between 10:30 and 11:00  
11M: Arrive between 10:30 and 11:00

YEAR 9

9A: Arrive between 12:15 and 12:45  
9B: Arrive between 12:15 and 12:45  
9L: Arrive between 13:00 and 13:30  
9M: Arrive between 13:00 and 13:30  
9N: Arrive between 13:45 and 14:15  
9R: Arrive between 13:45 and 14:15

**ALL YEAR 11 AND YEAR 9 STUDENTS TO START SCHOOL ON THURSDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER AT 8.40**

**Testing on THURSDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER**

YEAR 8

8A: Arrive between 9:00 and 9:30  
8B: Arrive between 9:00 and 9:30  
8R: Arrive between 9:45 and 10:15  
8L: Arrive between 9:45 and 10:15  
8N: Arrive between 10:30 and 11:00  
8M: Arrive between 10:30 and 11:00

**ALL YEAR 8 STUDENTS TO START SCHOOL ON FRIDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER AT 8:40**

The 2nd set of tests will be conducted during school times - students will be told of their time slots once school has started.

## LETTER TO YEAR 12 AND YEAR 13

Arrangements for the start of the Autumn Term.

Firstly a warm welcome to our new Year 12 and congratulations on your results- amazing achievements in a very difficult year. Welcome back to our Year 13 students too- we hope that everyone has had a good break.

One of the stipulations we do know at this point in the summer holidays, is the need for all students to be tested upon their return to school. Whilst we managed to do this very effectively back in March, almost as an introduction to the concept of LFT, we know that many families are now regularly self testing. Therefore we have taken the decision, in order to speed up the process and because of the amazing commitment from our families to test, that years 12 and years 13 will self test at home rather than at school. If your child will be starting Year 12 and or Year 13, they will need to self test in the 24 hours before their return to school and, very importantly, **register the result** via <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result> . If the result is positive they should inform us and then isolate as per government guidelines.

### Year 12 and Year 13 students

We ask that you report to the sixth form area on Wednesday 1st September between 12 noon and 3pm to log your LFT negative result official text message/email with members of the sixth form staff. If you have run out of LFT test kits please pop into school 8-3 any day to collect a new box of tests.

Lessons for all sixth form students will begin on **Thursday 2nd September**. If they have not taken the test or have no confirmation, they will be taken to the school library where a further test will be carried out. We will be carrying out a similar process within the next few days once they start back at school.